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Naples, Aug. 21.

THE *Dutch* and *Spaniſh* Men of War, which have layen ſo long at *Palermo*, are arrived here; they ſaw not far from hence the *French* Fleet ſailing to *Meſſina*, but it being towards evening, the night ſeparated them. We have advice that at *Palermo* the Inhabitants have made a new Fortification for the ſecurity of their City, and that they have likewiſe at their own coſt raiſed ſeveral Troops of Horſe. The Viceroy of *Sicily* is preparing for his return for *Spain*, ſo ſoon as his Succeſſor the Marquis *de Caſtel Rodrigo* arrives; it is believed that the *French*, upon the return of their Fleet to *Meſſina*, will be in a condition to attempt to remove the *Spaniards* out of the Poſts they have near that City.

Vienna, Aug. 30. The Count of *Kinski*, one of the Emperors Ambaſſadors for the Treaty of Peace, will now begin his journey very ſuddenly for *Nimeguen*. A conſiderable Sum of money hath been ſent into *Hungary*, for the paying the Soldiery there, but a far greater Sum is appointed for the Army on the *Rhine*. We have an account that our *Huſſars* in *Hungary* have defeated a Party of 600 *Turks*, killed 100 upon the place, and taken 30 Priſoners; but at the ſame time we hear that the Rebels have been too hard for a Parry of *Imperialiſts*.

Copenhagen, Sept. 1. We have the confirmation of the defeat of 3000 *Danes*, under the command of Major-General *Duncan* near *Helmſtadt*, of which we have theſe particulars; That the ſaid *Duncan* being ſent out from the *Daniſh* Camp to inveſt *Helmſtadt*, and having taken his Poſts, the Enemy, who had notice of it, came and ſurprized him, ſo that he had hardly time to draw his men into order of Battel; That notwithſtanding they made a brave defence, inſomuch that of two *Sueditſh* Regiments, which had the Van, and made the firſt charge, few or none, as is ſaid, came off, their General *Aſchenburg* being likewiſe killed; but the reſt of the Enemies Troops preſſing on, the *Danes* were all cut off, except between 7 and 800, who with Major-General *Duncan* were taken Priſoners, and about 250 who eſcaped. Co'onel *Tropper* is likewiſe Priſoner, and the Colonels *Roſenkrans* and *Zurou* killed; and we loſt 14 pieces of Cannon. Hereupon our King is marched with all his Forces from *Chriſtianſtadt* to *Helmſtadt*, to fight the Enemy, who continues there, being 12000 ſtrong; and in the mean time ſeveral Troops are marching hither from *Holſtein*, and the Gariſon which was in *Roſtock* is arrived here, who are to be Tranſported into *Schonen*, to reinforce our Army. *Malmoe* is inveſted by ſome of our Troops, and we have advice that 300 of that Gariſon having made a Sally, were repulſed with great loſs.

Anclam, Aug. 30. The 28 inſtant, according to the Capitulation, the Sueditſh Gariſon marched out with Bag and Baggage, *&c.* and was Convoyed to *Colberg*, to be from thence Tranſported to *Sueden*; and this day the Elector of *Brandenburgh* made his Entry, being accompanied with his Electreſs, and the Electoral Prince; and after having been at Church, where *Te Deum* was ſung, received in the Town-Houſe the Homage of the Magiſtrates, and afterwards of the Burghers. In the evening their Electoral Highneſſes returned again to their Camp; and it's ſaid that orders are given for ſeveral Troops to march towards *Demmin*.

Hamburgh, Sept. 8. Since the taking of *Anclam*, the Elector of *Brandenburgh* has ſent part of his Forces to attack *Demmin*, while the reſt endeavor to take *Lochenits* and *Dam*. The Electoral Prince of *Brandenburg* is very ill. From *Copenhagen* we have the particulars of the defeat of 3000 *Danes*, under the command of Major-General *Duncan*, of whom 250 onely came off, though it's ſaid the *Suedes* loſt likewiſe a great many men.

Bremen, Sept. 9. To morrow 10 000 *Munſter* Troops are to march through this City, taking their way towards the Countrey of *Lip*, and ſo towards the *Moſelle*; the *Lunenburg* Troops are gone before.

Strasburgh, Sept. 4. The *French* Army having paſſed the *Rhine* at *Briſac* and at *Burcken*, and fallen into *Briſgow*, have made a very great Booty, the Countrey people not having had time to ſave their Goods, and the *Imperial* Army not coming up time enough to ſecure them. Yeſterday the Duke of *Lorrain* was ſtill at *Offenburg*, two Leagues from hence; and it was queſtioned whether he would advance any farther, eſpecially ſince it was reported that the Enemy was going to repaſs the *Rhine*; the *Croats* which the Duke had ſent out to take an account of the Enemy, are likewiſe returned, having, as is ſaid, had ſome light skirmiſhes with the *French* Cavalry to their advantage. People here are very much concerned, that matters advance no better at *Philipſburgh*, where the Beſieged omit nothing that can be expected from Men reſolved to defend the place to the very laſt; and we are told that the Beſiegers having lately ſent a Summons to the Governor, he had anſwered, That things were not yet in a condition to make him think of a Surrender; and when they were, he could not but expect from them thoſe terms which are always given to Men of Honour; and in effect we are aſſured, that the Beſieged are as yet in a very good poſture, and want nothing neceſſary for the defence of the place. We have advice, that the Mareſchal *de Crequi* is gathering a Body of Men together on the *Saar*, with intention to act on that ſide, though perhaps it is only to be in a poſture to make head againſt the *Munſter* and *Lunenburg* Troops, who, they write from *Treves*, are expected yet before the end of this Campagne in thoſe parts, to give the *French* a diverſion.

From the French Camp at Weil *in* Briſgow, *Sept.* 5. We are at preſent in a Countrey where we ſubſiſt with great eaſe and abundance; our ſick begin to recover, and our Horſes, which were extremely out of caſe, are already in a better condition. The Duke of *Lorrain* is advanced as far as *Offemburg*, having drawn moſt of the *Imperial* Troops from the Siege of *Philipsburgh*, which has of late advanced very little. The laſt Letters we had from thoſe parts, gave us an account, among other things, that the Sieur *de Ray*, Governor of *Philipſburg*, had permitted an Officer, ſent by the Prince of *Baden*, to come into the Town, to let him ſee the poſture they were in, was quite otherwiſe than perhaps the Beſiegers imagined.